



Legislation Text

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Amending Chapter 31.09 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code pertaining to electronic reallocation of votes.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAINT PAUL DOES ORDAIN:

SECTION 1

Section 31.09 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 31.09. Electronic voting systems.

(a) *Use of voting systems.* All provisions of Minnesota Statutes pertaining to electronic voting systems apply, to the extent they are not inconsistent with this chapter. Any voting equipment system used to conduct an election under this section must be authorized for use by the county auditor pursuant to Minnesota Statute s, Section 206.58. If used for the electronic reallocation of votes, the voting system must be capable of implementing the provisions of section 31.05(d), except that no manual examination of the ballots is required. If used for this purpose, the chief election official shall test the capability of the voting system to perform the electronic reallocation of votes at least ten days prior to the election. If the test fails to demonstrate the capability of the voting system to perform the reallocation of votes in the manner provided in section 31.05(d), the chief election official shall conduct the reallocation of votes manually.

(b) *Electronic ballot images.* If the voting system is capable of creating an electronic image of the ballots that have been counted, the chief election official may use the electronic ballot images to conduct the manual reallocation of votes required by section 31.05(d) and any recount required by this chapter. The chief election official shall prepare the methodology for using scanned images of the ballots for either the manual reallocation of votes or for the visual inspection and counting of ballots in a recount no later than four weeks before the election.

SECTION 2

This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty (30) days following its passage, approval and publication.